

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Bethel City Council was called to order at 7:35 pm by Mayor Guinn.

ROLL CALL

Present: All members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

motion

M/M by Binkley, 2nd by Anvil to accept the minutes of the 7/20, 7/26, 8/4 and 8/9 meetings of the Bethel City Council with the following addition to the minutes of the 7/26 meeting: Councilmember Binkley did not participate in the KTC executive session (Item B, New Business). Voice vote, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/M by Binkley, 2nd by Anvil to accept the agenda with the following additions and deletions:  
Unfinished Business: Item G, KTC Litigation - Table; add Item H - Dog Control;  
New Business: Item C, Lease Lot 4, Block 8, USS 3790 - Table; new Item C - Museum Relocation; Item D - Zoning. Voice vote, motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

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City Manager Hoffman reported on the following items:

- a. Calista Construction was the low bidder on both the Seawall Construction (1st phase) and the Small Boat Harbor road;
- b. the Management Seminar for Department Heads will take place on August 22 and 23;
- c. the preliminary City budget for FY '84 will be presented to Council on August 30;
- d. after review by Council, the firm of Erwin, Smith, Garnett, & Bendell has been retained as City Attorney for Bethel;
- e. the City is soliciting a bid from Ernst & Whinney to conduct the FY '83 City audit;
- f. Council will go to its fall schedule beginning in September. Council meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month.

MAYOR'S REPORT

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Mayor Guinn informed Council that the local election will be held on October 4; four Council seats are up for election; the candidate filing period for those seats is September 2 - 19.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

No committee reports.

PEOPLE TO BE HEARD

Councilmember Buttane congratulated the Administration on its quick action in getting the buses back in service after the shutdown by Hustlebuggy. Additionally, Mr. Buttane noted the completion of the boardwalk at the high school and thanked the Administration for seeing to the timely completion of the project.

Councilmember Binkley congratulated the Administration on the completion and placement of the new Welcome to Bethel sign as designed by the students at Kilbuck.

Councilmember Anvil requested that roll call on Council votes be done in rotation, not alphabetically. The Administration is to present to Council an ordinance permitting rotational roll call.

Councilmember Pavil requested that the maintenance department check for missing and damaged street signs and to replace those where needed.

NEW BUSINESS

PATC STAFF REDUCTIONS

Item A: PATC  
Staff Reductions

motion

M/M by Binkley to place on the table his motion to reconsider the vote taken by Council on 8/9/83, a vote in favor of the motion to grant 2 weeks of separation pay to layed off PATC/Jail Employees if not rehired by the City within 15 days of the lay off. Discussion on the motion. Poll vote taken. 5 yes, 2 no on the motion to reverse the the decision taken by Council at the 8/9/83 Council meeting concerning PATC/Jail lay off. Motion carried with Buttane and Guinn voting in opposition to the motion.

motion

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Guinn that all PATC/Jail employees affected by the lay off be given 2 weeks separation pay in lieu of being placed on a recall list. Poll vote taken, 5 yes, 2 no (Binkley, Hoffman). Motion carried.

Item B: Reclasi-  
fication

RECLASSIFICATION FROM 2nd to 1st CLASS STATUS

motion

City Manager Hoffman reviewed for Council the Title 29 provisions concerning the difference between 2nd and 1st class cities. City Planner Stigall addressed Council as to the difference between 2nd and 1st class city powers. M/M by Binkley, 2nd by Pavil to not put the question of the reclassification of Bethel from a 2nd class to a 1st class city on the October 4, 1983 ballot. Voice vote, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CONT

LOCAL OPTION REQUEST

Item C: Local  
Option Request

City Manager Hoffman reviewed for Council the requests that have been directed to Council by local villages and residents of Bethel asking the City Council to place on the October ballot the local option question concerning the sale and importation of alcohol. City Manager Hoffman informed Council that under Alaska Statutes the local option question must be placed on the ballot by an initiative petition and that the filing period for such a petition has expired. No action was taken by Council on the request to place the local option question on the October 4, 1983 ballot.

Council recessed from 9.01 to 9.15.

Item D: Disco  
Building

DISCO BUILDING DISPOSITION

City Manager Hoffman reviewed for Council the history of the City's efforts to dispose of the former disco building. The building had been put out to bid, bids received, and all bids rejected by Council for the use of the building.

motion

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Hoffman to offer the building to the Kusko 300 for race headquarters. The motion was withdrawn after discussion indicated that the log cabin now located at the 21 Acre Park was to be used for race headquarters.

motion

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Pavil to refer the question of what to do with the former disco building to each of the standing committees and to have the committees make a recommendation to Council. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item E: Committee  
Ordinance

COMMITTEE ORDINANCE

Mayor Guinn opened the public hearing at 9.20 pm. Councilmember Buttane suggested that Council consider in addition to standing council committees the formation of advisory boards to work with specific programs and department heads; such boards would report to the specific program, not Council. Mayor Guinn closed the public hearing at 9.30 pm.

motion

M/M by Twitchell, 2nd by Hoffman to set a 2nd public hearing on the ordinance for the 1st Council meeting in October and to have a Council work session on the proposed ordinance the week before the public hearing. Voice vote, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
CONT

ORDINANCE 143, CLOSING HOURS ORDINANCE

Item F: Ordinance  
143, Closing Hours

Mayor Guinn opened the public hearing on the proposed ordinance at 9.32 pm. A discussion followed concerning what the closing hours should be and the type of businesses to be affected by the ordinance. Bea Christovich addressed Council as to the need for the ordinance with respect to business activity on 1st Avenue. Mayor Guinn closed the public hearing at 10.05 pm. M/M by Binkley, 2nd by Buttane to adopt Ordinance 143 with the following additions: add fast food establishments to those businesses affected by the ordinance and to set the effective date upon passage. Poll vote, motion carried unanimously.

motion

Item G: Tabled

KTC LITIGATION - tabled, to Port Commission

Item H: Animal  
Control

ANIMAL CONTROL

Mayor Guinn reviewed action taken by Council concerning the problem of animal control within Bethel. Greg Drury addressed Council on the matter and presented as a proposed site for an animal control facility the old City shop. Councilmembers and the City Manager inspected the proposed site. Upon return to the Council Chambers, M/M by Binkley, 2nd by Buttane directing the Administration to work with Mr. Drury in converting the old City shop into a temporary dog pound and to advertise for the lease of office space in the old shop building for use as a veterinarian's office. Voice vote, motion carried.

motion

The Administration stated that it would include in its FY '84 Municipal Aid list a request for funds to construct a permanent dog pound.

NEW BUSINESS

CITY OF BETHEL RETIREMENT PLAN

Item A: Retirement  
Plan

Cal Calvin of Calco reviewed for Council the City of Bethel's retirement plan and requested that Council pass a resolution accepting the City's retirement plan. M/M by Pavil, 2nd by Hoffman to accept Resolution 413, a resolution accepting the City's retirement plan. Voice vote, motion carried.

motion

Item B: Mayor-  
Council Government

MAYOR-COUNCIL FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Request by Vern Keezer to have Council consider and to place on the ballot the question of the Mayor-Council form of government. City Manager Hoffman stated that Title 29 requirements concerning Mayor-Council government for 2nd class cities were not practical. Council took no action on the matter.

NEW BUSINESS CONT

MUSEUM RELOCATION

Item C: Museum  
Relocation

City Manager Hoffman reviewed for Council the following offer from the Moravian Church concerning the relocation of the Museum:

- a. 10 year lease of church land
- b. lease of \$120 per year
- c. City construct at its cost a sand pad for the Museum and Moravian Church historical building

The proposed site is next to the Moravian Book Store. It was requested that the sand pad be layed this fall.

motion

M/M by Buttane, 2nd by Pavil directing the City to lay the sand pad and to relocate the museum at the new site. Voice vote, motion carried.

Item D: Zoning

ZONING

Councilmember Hoffman read a letter from ONC in opposition to the proposed zoning plan for Bethel. Council took no action on the matter.

Mayor Guinn read a letter from the State Troopers concerning the citing of boat operators for speeding and unsafe operation.

ADJOURNMENT

M/M by Pavil to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11.30 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS *26<sup>th</sup>* DAY OF *September* 1983

ATTEST

*Wayne J. Mayers*  
Wayne J. Mayers, City Clerk

*John Guinn*  
John Guinn, Mayor